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## U.S. stalling halts Upgrade training

### Joe Angelo, Steelworkers director, dead

Steelworkers District 38 Director Joe Angelo died Tuesday in the Cleveland, Ohio, airport after suffering a heart attack on a plane while en route to Washington.

Angelo was elected director of the 13-state western district of the union on February 11, 1968.

He was a vice president of the California Labor Federation and state COPE and a former treasurer of the Alameda County Central Labor Council.

Angelo, 57, was stricken while en route from Youngstown, Ohio, where he had visited relatives, to a Steelworkers' international executive board meeting.

His career in the west began in 1943 when he was sent to California by the late Steelworkers' President Philip Murray and had served the international in organizing, negotiating and enforcing contracts.

He was sub-district director when he ran for director against an incumbent appointed by the international union and became the first elected director of the district.

Funeral services are set for tomorrow, Saturday, from the Lane Funeral Home, 5797 Mahoning Avenue, Austin Town, Ohio.

Angelo is survived by his wife Edith and a son, Thomas, a law student at Willamette College, Salem, Oregon. The family home is in Richmond.

The Alameda County Building Trades Council meeting Tuesday night adjourned in Angelo's memory.

BTC President Paul Jones characterized Angelo as a "forthright, upstanding labor representative, who wore no man's collar, a true unionist."



JOE ANGELO

### Minority construction job, program fails of funding

Delay by the Nixon administration's Labor Department in funding an extension of Project Upgrade forced a shutdown this week in the voluntary labor-management training program for minority construction craftsmen.

Upgrade, which has graduated 85 minority workers to fulltime skilled jobs, has been seeking for months to gain a new allotment of \$500,000 to train 200 more in the next two years.

But when the old grant expired Tuesday, Upgrade had only the latest Labor Department promise to evaluate the program to determine if it should be renewed, plus a long series of what Upgrade officials called "irrelevant objections."

The shutdown was announced at a press conference by Secretary-Treasurer Lamar Childers of the Alameda County Building Trades Council, Upgrade president; and President Ray Dones of the General & Specialty Contractors Association, Upgrade secretary-treasurer.

They noted that they had no new money and no legal authority to expend money and no alternative but to shut down. Thirty-two craftsmen were still in training.

"We are likely now to have some form of the Philadelphia, Los Angeles or Chicago compulsory plans, none of which has been successful in delivering jobs," Dones warned.

Upgrade, sponsored by the BTC and the mainly minority contractors group, has trained partly trained minority workers on the job at journeyman pay.

A unique feature is instruction by union journeymen who concentrate on skills in which trainees are deficient, speeding full training.

In contrast, Childers and Dones said, the government em-

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### Rehiring in BART row; strike off

A settlement forestalling a strike by Bay Area Rapid Transit District employees was worked out in conciliation sessions Tuesday morning.

United Public Employees Local 390 members on BART had voted to strike over refusal of management to discuss grievances, including demotion of an employee who was later fired.

The agreement in sessions attended by Local 390 Executive Secretary Paul Varacalli and Alameda County Labor Council Executive Secretary-Treasurer Richard K. Groulx with BART management, restores the employee to his job.

Grievance procedure on his demotion and discharge then will be available with representation by Local 390.

The union reserved the right to go to court or to strike over the issue if the employee fails to get a fair hearing.

The Alameda County Central Labor Council executive committee had placed strike sanction in Groulx's hands on Aug-

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### Joblessness is only booming business, Unruh tells fete

Jess Unruh told his labor-sponsored testimonial dinner last week that when he visited an unemployment insurance line, the manager told him, "business is up 100 per cent since last year."

That visit, he stressed to an overflow crowd at the dinner staged by Waiters, Waitresses & Service Crafts Local 31, was the saddest event to date in his campaign for governor against Ronald Reagan.

But, he said, it underscores "what the Reagan administration has not done" — Reagan's lack of action in the face of massive unemployment affecting close to 600,000 Californians.

The dinner, arranged by a Local 31 committee headed by President Elmo Rua and Secretary-Treasurer Fran Childers, drew an overflow crowd of 800. It heard Secretary John F. Henning of the California Labor Federation praise Unruh's campaign "in the enemy territory, challenging the wealthy backers of Governor Reagan."

Not far from the state Human Resources Development Department office he visited in San Diego, Unruh said, he saw the warehouse of a new and used furniture dealer.

"There were three blocks full of used office furniture from

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### Cranston to address COPE campaign dinner October 16

A campaign fund raising dinner, with United States Senator Alan Cranston as the featured speaker, is scheduled by Alameda County COPE for Friday, October 16.

Reservations are \$15 a plate or two for a bargain \$25 for the event at the Edgewater Hyatt House, Hegenberger Road near the Nimitz Freeway in Oakland.

Proceeds will finance COPE campaigns for its entire slate at the November 3 election.

COPE noted that space will be limited and urged unions and

members to make reservations soon.

Those wishing reservations should call the Alameda County Central Labor Council, 444-6510. Checks to Alameda County COPE should be mailed to the Labor Council at 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland, and tickets with table numbers for union groups and individuals will be mailed back.

Cranston was elected with Alameda County and California COPE support in 1968 and has scored an impressive voting record for working people.

The campaign dinner will open at 7 p.m. with no-host cocktails and dinner will be at 8.

### EDITOR'S CHAIR

#### How can it be true, Dick?

You may have read in this space last week that Dick was having trouble keeping the promises which persuaded enough of us to give him that big job in Washington.

It is worse than I knew then. You will recall that I noted Dick had promised to save our money and cut prices.

But I pointed out that he ended up with a big budget deficit when the 1971 fiscal year rolled around and inflation was still around.

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NOW APPEARS what has to be the clincher.

Dick had to OK raising the price of the Congressional Record.

This must have cost him many a headache. It is bad enough to see prices keep right on climbing at the corner grocery but when Dick's own store had to

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### Dellums hits scabbing, Nixon income plan

COPE-endorsed Seventh District Congressional candidate Ronald V. Dellums pledged to continue support of collective bargaining and to fight for an end to poverty in a speech to the Alameda County Central Labor Council this week.

He took on the Nixon administration, declaring that "something is wrong when the country's elected leadership can't furnish the right to a job or a guaranteed annual income."

A guaranteed annual income must be provided, he said, but he opposed the Nixon welfare proposal for a \$1,600 a year income floor.

"No family of four can live on \$1,600," he said. "When both parents are working and paying taxes, food, transportation, child care and other work connected expenses they must have \$9,600 a year or be at or below the poverty level."

A national law to ban professional scabbing is another needed measure, he said, citing efforts of some labor contractors to recruit blacks and other minorities to scab on striking Salinas farm workers.

He will turn to the black community and public opinion will halt the Salinas scabbing efforts, he said.

To a question on rightwing State Senator Jack Schrade's proposal to take away the vote from certain welfare clients, Dellums replied:

"To take away the right to vote for which people have fought—and some have died is to take away our democratic society."

For those like Schrade, Nixon and Governor Reagan who make welfare clients a target, he noted that the largest group of relief recipients are children, and the smallest able bodied men.



RONALD V. DELLUMS

"Most of them have a second or third grade education, no skills or little skill and to take them off welfare would obviously require much more than we spend now," he said.

### OFFICIAL NOTICES

Correspondents columns will be found on pages 4 and 5 of this edition of the Labor Journal. Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 6.



# Unit prices tell how much you pay

By **SIDNEY MARGOLIUS**  
Labor Journal Consumer Expert

At least some consumers around the country are beginning to see the big difference in prices of many groceries as some stores voluntarily adopt unit pricing. Consumers can see, for example, that the size, brand and type can make a difference of virtually 100 per cent and sometimes more in the true cost of many staples.

"Unit pricing" is stating the price per unit (pound, quart or pint), as well as the price per can or other package.

If you know the price per unit you can more readily compare values and select the item offering best value for your particular cooking purpose.

**FOR EXAMPLE**, you can see the difference in cost among (1) different brands, (2) different sizes and (3) different versions of the same food.

You could pay as much as 56 cents a pint for mayonnaise in half-pint jars under the national brand names such as Best Foods and Kraft, or even more for some brands.

Or you could buy the store's own brand, such as Co-op, and pay as little as 33 cents a pint in the pint size. That saving is achieved by buying the private brand in the larger size. You could save even further by using salad dressing instead, and pay as little as 20 cents.

Unit pricing, or your own calculations if stores in your area

## COMPARATIVE PRICES SHOWN BY UNIT PRICING\*

	Item Size	Item Size	Cost per Measure
<b>Tomato Juice</b>			
Star's Own Food Club	18 oz.	16c	\$ .28 qt.
Campbell's	17½ oz.	18c	.33
Star's Own Food Club	46 oz.	33c	.23
Libby's	46 oz.	35c	.24
Campbell's	46 oz.	37c	.26
Glorietta California	46 oz.	42c	.29
Star's Own Food Club	5½ oz.	6/49c	.48
Libby's	5½ oz.	6/57c	.55
Sacramento California	5½ oz.	6/57c	.55
<b>Tuna Fish Grated</b>			
Co-op, light, in oil	6 oz.	29c	.77 lb.
<b>Tuna Fish, Chunk</b>			
Co-op, light, in oil	9½ oz.	43c	.74
Co-op, light, in oil	6½ oz.	31c	.76
White Star, light, in oil	6½ oz.	37c	.91
White Star, light, in oil	9¼ oz.	55c	.95
Starkist, light, in oil	9¼ oz.	56c	.97
White Star, light, in oil	3¼ oz.	25c	1.23
White Star, white, in oil	6½ oz.	45c	1.41
<b>Tuna Fish, Solid</b>			
Co-op, light, in oil	7 oz.	38c	.87
White Star, light, in oil	7 oz.	45c	1.03
Co-op, white, in oil	7 oz.	41c	.94
Co-op, light, in brine	7 oz.	34c	.78
Co-op, white, in brine	7 oz.	45c	1.03
Starkist, white, in water	7 oz.	46c	1.05

\*Tomato juice prices from Star's stores, Rhode Island; tuna prices from Berkeley,

California, co-ops. Prices will vary at different times.

do not yet do it, also would show some revealing pricing maneuvers by the manufacturers. For example, Kraft charges the same price for mayonnaise as for its

Miracle Whip salad dressing, even though salad dressings generally are less expensive.

Greatest price differences revealed by unit pricing are be-

tween store's own brands and national brands. But there are also differences among the national brands too, as the comparative prices of tomato juices and tuna fish with this article show.

**THE PRICE** difference between smallest and largest sizes also are striking. The differences between medium and largest sizes are less drastic but still important.

Also noteworthy is the half-ounce Campbell's still takes away from its medium-size tomato juice compared to other brands. We pointed this out 15 years ago and they still do it.

Latest chain to adopt unit pricing is the Rhode Island Star's stores, in cooperation with the state's Consumer Council.

Unit pricing was pioneered and has been used most extensively so far by the co-op supermarkets in Berkeley, California, New York City, and Hyde Park, and Chicago, Illinois.

Other commercial chains that have adopted or are experimenting with it include the Benner stores in Iowa, Jewel stores in the Chicago area, Kroger in Toledo, First National and Stop & Shop in Boston, Grand Union and Dutch Crystal in New York and the A & P chain are also reported to be considering installing unit pricing.

**THE EFFORT** by New York City Consumer Affairs Commissioner Bess Myerson Grant to require unit-pricing on six spe-

cific foods including bread and cereals was stopped when the food merchant's association went to court.

The judge agreed that unit pricing would be a help to consumers but said the commissioner had exceeded her authority. Now a bill has been introduced into the City Council to provide that authority.

The results so far contradict the claims by food association officials that consumers won't use the additional information, and that unit pricing would be costly to provide. New York co-ops have reported the cost is minimal.

The Star stores have said there is no extra cost to the consumer because the computations are done by computer.

Where the unit prices have been so easy to see and understand, as when stores have put them on shelf signs, consumers have found them helpful. But when stores have grouped unit prices as in one big chart for 103 different sizes and brands of cereals, or in price sheets at the end of the aisle, they themselves have made the unit prices hard to use.

If your own local stores do not yet have unit pricing, the potential savings are big enough to make it worthwhile to do this much calculating. It's a nuisance. But once you have the better buys picked out you won't have to spend much time at it.

## Cyclamates finally are completely outlawed

Beginning this month, you shouldn't be able to buy any food containing cyclamates under a Federal Food & Drug Administration order banning the chemicals, which purportedly help dieters.

There is no evidence that cy-

clamates actually help in weight losing and, said a medical advisory panel, there is evidence that continued consumption of cyclamates contributes to cancer.

**The FDA acted on the panel's advice August 14 and gave stores until September 1 to clear out all cyclamate containing foods.**

After that none will be permitted.

Its decision was the final act in an off again, on again FDA program against cyclamates.

Last October, FDA banned all cyclamate diet drinks and ordered food containing cyclamates off the shelves by February 1. That action was in line with the Delaney Act of 1958, forbidding sale of food or food chemicals which cause cancer in laboratory animals.

At that time, the Nixon administration's then Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare Robert H. Finch said he would try to have the Delaney Act repealed.

FDA then decided that cyclamate foods could be relabeled as drugs for dieters and diabetics. New tests last winter showed that cancer was produced in rats fed far smaller amounts of cyclamates than previously were believed safe.

"It is to be emphasized that there is no firm evidence that there actually exists a threshold level below which no cancer would be induced," the medical panel said.

"There is much evidence that chronic exposure is important in the induction of cancer."

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## Getting Your Money's Worth

Consumers Union called for an immediate ban on all enzyme laundry presoaks and phasing out by 1972 of all phosphates in detergents.

**These so-called "washday miracles" CU says, help convert the nation's lakes and streams into reservoirs of stinking slime by adding more phosphates than any other man-made product.**

The immediate ban on enzyme presoaks is called for by the non-profit consumer-advisory organization because when used in combination with the detergent wash that follows the presoaking, they grossly increase the phosphate pollution of each wash load.

**TESTS RUN** on enzymatic presoaks have previously resulted in a downrating of their cleaning value by Consumer Reports, CU's monthly publication.

Enzyme presoaks are expensive, and presoaking with ordinary laundry detergents which have

a much lower phosphate content usually proves to be an effective substitute, the magazine said.

In a September article, "Dead Lakes: Another Washday Miracle," Consumer Reports will call for elimination of phosphates in detergents by 1972 "unless the industry, after good-faith efforts to find an acceptable substitute, demonstrates to the federal government that additional time is needed."

In the meantime, Consumer Reports will say, detergent makers should be required to cut back sharply the phosphate content of their products and those products should be specifically formulated for soft or hard water and marketed solely in appropriate regions.

Most of the New York City area, for instance, has very soft water, the consumer magazine says, and this should require the barest minimum of phosphate.

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## Court bans railway strike

Four unions, which had been bargaining for a year or more with the nation's railroads, found themselves barred by a court injunction as they prepared to strike early Tuesday. Federal Judge Howard F. Corcoran in Washington signed the order 11 minutes before the unions were to walk out at 12:01 a.m.

It barred a selective strike against Southern Pacific, Chesapeake & Ohio and Baltimore & Ohio. The order, asked by the three roads, runs to September 22 when a hearing is scheduled on a preliminary injunction.

Unions involved are the United Transportation Union, the Maintenance of Way Employees, the Railway & Airline Clerks and the Dining Car Porters.

Wages are the issue, with the National Railway Labor Conference, the employer association, refusing to budge from its 7 per cent raise offer which it made last year.

The Maintenance of Way Employees which had made its proposals in May, 1969, noted that "all practical methods for averting the strike" had been exhausted by the National Mediation Board.

Other unions also had been through the time-consuming Mediation Board process without result.

If a non-selective strike against all the roads were substituted for the banned selective strike, President Nixon could stop it by naming an emergency board.

## Hearst scabbing passes 1,000th day

Los Angeles labor's battle against Hearst scabbing reached its 1,000th day last Friday with picket lines solid and the Hearst Herald-Examiner continuing its downward slide in circulation and advertising.

Strikers, locked-out Hearst employees and other unionists marked the day with a march to city hall and a rally.

COPE's candidate for governor, Jess Unruh, told the rally that as governor he will use the "power and prestige" of office to settle the Her-Ex dispute and "see that this kind of union busting does not take place in California."

The long struggle began December 15, 1967, when Los Angeles Newspaper Guild members struck against a management offer of less than a much smaller Lang Beach daily.

Management rushed professional scabs into its building and has been operating with strikebreakers since.

## Auto Machinists fete pioneer members; new challenge told

East Bay Automotive machinists Lodge 1546 honored its oldtimers Saturday night in a ceremony marking its fiftieth anniversary and emphasizing the contributions of pioneer unionists to the strength of Lodge 1546 and today's effective labor movement.

Perhaps the greatest challenge remaining to labor, International Association of Machinists General Secretary-Treasurer Eugene Glover told the gathering is to tell the new generation of workers of the struggle which won their good pay and conditions.

Pins and certificates recognizing 50, 45, 35, 25 and 15 years of membership were distributed. A total of 287 Lodge 1546 members were eligible for the awards at the ceremony at Goodman's Hall, Jack London Square, Oakland.

A special retirement gift was given Ed T. Merritt, who retired last September after 18 years as a business representative. The presentation, Financial Secretary M. F. Damas told the audience, recognized Merritt's service to the union and the community.

A special presentation of the Award of Honor to retired Directing Business Representative E. H. Vernon at last February's Alameda County Man of the Year Dinner was made by his successor, Bud Williams. Vernon was unable to attend the February dinner because of illness.

The two 50-year men were

charter members Jack Clark, former president, vice president and financial secretary, and Robert (Scotty) Bendle who with Clark was a pioneer organizer of the union.

Honored for 45 years membership was Harry Anderson. Among 25 year award winners were Williams and Business Representative Manuel Francis.

Another IAM speaker, General Vice President Charles West, told the audience that "the job done by the oldtimers made possible the things we have today."

Glover recounted the harsh days when union membership was often a firing offense and loyalty of pioneer members built the union.

"To retain the loyalty," he said, "we must be able to change and meet new conditions. Now many think the rights won by the union came from employer generosity."

"Veteran members must communicate with the new generation. Labor has transformed society in decent wages and fringes and in such things which help non-members such as the minimum wage, Social Security and consumer protection. Yet many don't know this and to tell it to them is perhaps our greatest challenge."

Clark told of the days when Lodge 1546 met in members' homes when the "business agent spent his time collecting dues to pay per capita and his salary—if he got it."

## Piedmont firemen OK pact

Last minute negotiations with the Piedmont city council Monday night brought a two-year wage and hours agreement forestalling a strike by Fire Fighters Local 55.

The 20 members of Local 55's Piedmont unit, who had unanimously authorized a strike, accepted the agreement by a one-vote margin, 11-9. They and Fire Fighters from other departments had been ready for informational picketing had the talks failed of agreement, and the Piedmont firemen then were to have set a strike date. Strike sanction had been granted by the Alameda County Central Labor Council.

Negotiations had been underway since April with no progress until a session with city negotiators Monday morning.

The agreement provides:

An 8 per cent salary raise retroactive to July 1 and a cost of living raise next July 1 corresponding to the increase in the Bay Area consumer price index.

An additional \$50 a year uni-

form allowance, bringing the total to \$100.

A cut from the present 67.2 hour week to 63 hours next July 1.

An additional holiday and an additional \$5 a month city health care contribution to be applied to dependent coverage.

## Carl Knight, union vet, named aide to Barbers here

Appointment of Carl Knight, a former Indianapolis barbers officer, as business agent of Barbers Local 134 was announced this week by Local 134 Secretary-Treasurer Jack M. Reed.

Knight, who sees organizing and stimulation of union interest by members as among his major aims here, had a long record of Union activity in Indiana.

He was president of Indianapolis Barbers Local 247 from 1960 to 1964 and vice president of the Indiana State Association of Barbers & Beauticians from 1963 until 1969 when he resigned to come to California.

He was a Barber's delegate to the Marion County, Indiana, Central Labor Council from 1958 to 1968 and was a delegate to several Indiana state AFL-CIO conventions.

In 1967 he was a hair styling demonstrator in Indiana in a Labor Department on the job training program sponsored by the International Association of Barbers & Beauticians.

Knight, 37, has been a Barbers member for 18 years and ran his own shop in Indianapolis while serving the union. He recently received a California barber's license.

He succeeds Robert Kraus, who resigned to become a business representative for United Public Employees Local 390.

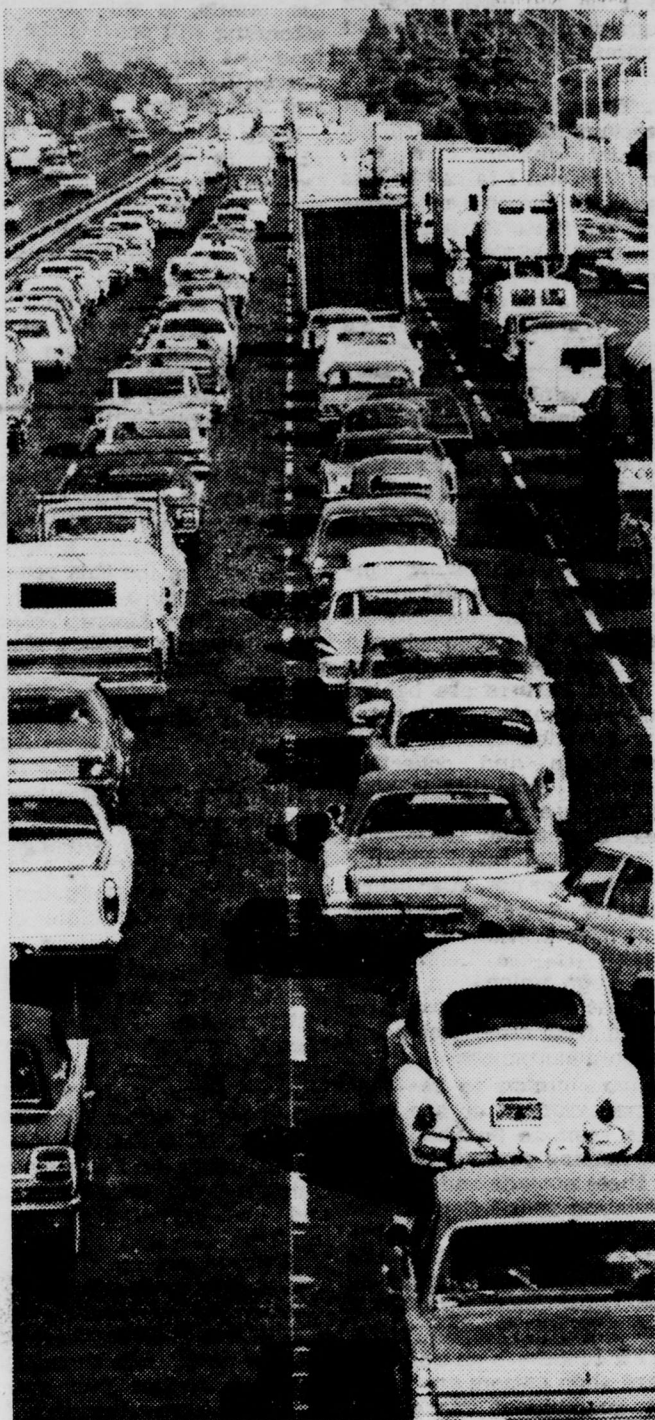
## Talks deadlocked at UARCO, Moore

In an all day bargaining session in the Alameda County Central Labor Council's office, representatives of UARCO and of Moore's Business Forms failed of a satisfactory pay offer to Bookbinders Local 3, the Alameda County Central Labor Council was told.

A previous dispute over management's demand to increase the straight time week from 35 to 37½ hours was previously settled in Local 3's favor. Labor Council Assistant Secretary Ed Collins reported.

Local 3's executive committee was to meet this weekend to act on a possible strike.

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## Chips and Chatter

BY GUNNAR (BENNY) BENONYS

The carpenters put out of work list dropped just a little this past week, reports Brother Al Thoman. However, unless a lot of new jobs gets started soon, the list will continue to climb, especially at this time of the year, with the winter season's annual slowdown and the usual rainy season just around the corner.

Cousin Al reminds us all, "Keep as busy as a beaver and you'll wind up with splinters in your teeth."

The past several weeks have been busy and hectic for a good many of the brothers who attended meetings and conventions as your representatives. Their forthcoming reports will be interesting and timely to all of us.

At the recent United Brotherhood of Carpenters convention, held in San Francisco, the U.S. colors were presented by three Chief Petty Officers of the U.S. Naval Reserve Mobile Construction Battalion 2, a part of the world famous "SeaBees." Taking part in this ceremony were Chief John D. Lang, member of Local 22, San Francisco; Chief James A. Tyler, President of Millmens Local 42, San Francisco and Chief Gunnar Benonys, Business Representative of Carpenters Local 36, Oakland. All are full book members of the Brotherhood and collectively represent over 72 years of active and reserve membership in the Seabees!

One of the many outstanding speakers who addressed the over 2,200 delegates, was Commander W. J. "Bill" Mellish, Reserve Seabee Program Officer, 12th Naval District. He regaled the audience with stories of the adventure of Navy activities of many years ago and briefly outlined the present Reserve Seabee projects. In today's Seabee units are many former active members and a great many of today's carpenter journeymen and apprentices.

Performing yeoman duties in preparation for this convention, were Joseph O'Sullivan president, and Alfred Figone executive secretary, State Council of Carpenters, and a willing host of others who turned to to make this one of the most outstanding Brotherhood conventions ever held anywhere.

Uncle Benny comments, "The trouble with being a leader these days is that you can't be sure whether the people are following you or chasing you!"

L'll GeeGee, our office vamp, says, "The best proof that appearances are deceiving is that the dollar bill looks exactly the same as it did 15 years ago."

READERS REWARD numbers this month are 509 07 4039, 552 07 3116, 287 46 4731. Is any of these numbers yours? Call Uncle Benny and let him know.

OPERATION PAPERBACK is just barely limping along. We need all the paperbacks you can spare. Surely you have several at home you have read and are willing to donate to a good cause. Drop them off at the hall on your next visit. Be sure to leave your name, too. Readers of this column other than members of Local 36 (all three of you), maybe you have some westerns, adventure, detective paperbacks you would like to donate? We'll thank you, too, if you will do so.

A tip of the hat to Brother John Gomes and "Thanks" for the books you dropped off this Monday morning.

We regret to report the passing of Brother Curtis E. Laird, 72 years old and a member for 34 years, S. Klein, 86 and a member for 30 years, and C. A. Kraus, 85 years old and a member for 34 years.

On our sick and injured list are Wendell R. Beavers, on dis-

ability; Jerry Burton, broken leg; William Griggs, Jr., spinal spinal operation; Clarence E. Moore, returned to light work only; Frank Tillman, suffering from serious burns; Melvin A. Vickman, torn cartilage in his knee; Clarence Secrease, laid up due to an attack on the street; Robert A. Scott, facing a serious hip operation, and Samuel Lockhart, still off since last December 1, 1969.

Brother Charles Vares will take his pension as of October, 1970.

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Be sure to watch your East Bay Labor Journal for political recommendations and endorsements to guide you at the polls for the next elections. Your vote is the most important one of all. Use it wisely for candidates that are pledged to support Labor's aims.

See you at YOUR next UNION meeting, Brother?

## Millmen's 550

BY ARSIE BIGBY

Politics 1970 is now off and running hot and heavy, heading for the home stretch. Both Governor Reagan and his Democratic opponent, Jess Unruh, are running up and down the state leveling charges, and counter charges, in their quest to gain voter support for themselves, for the election of November 3.

The Governor is endeavoring to make political hay, by leveling charges of wide spread welfare fraud at every stop.

Unruh is covering many more subjects at each of his campaign stops, and is very carefully pointing out to his audiences, that unemployment in California at 6.5 per cent is the highest that it has been for 30 years.

Unruh talks of the governor's Millionaire Kitchen Cabinet Advisors and says that Reagan's much talked about tax plan was designed to save money for the rich at the expense of the poor and middle income families. Unruh has said that if that tax plan had been enacted into law, Mr. Salvator, who owns a \$700,000 home in Southern California, would have saved over \$4,000 per year in taxes on that house, while the person owning a \$20,000 home would have saved only \$20 per year.

Unruh says the governor is supported by manipulators and profiteers.

Unruh asked one audience a few days ago "that if there is as much welfare fraud as the Governor claims, why do you suppose he doesn't clean it up; he said he was going to (if elected), while campaigning against Pat Brown back in 1966.

"He's been the governor three and one half years now and is still saying the same thing."

I haven't heard the governor offer any proof of his welfare fraud allegations as yet, and neither have I heard of anyone being convicted in a court of law of welfare fraud charges, and that is more than I can say for the state of California; which now stands convicted of improper conduct in handling federal welfare

funds during the Reagan administration term of office.

Now! Seems to be the proper time to start making determination as to who committed fraud against whom.

The following quote is from a September 11, 1970 Southern Alameda County newspaper:

"U.S. District Court Judge Alfonso J. Zirpoli ruled Thursday that California was short changing 330,000 welfare families of their cost of living increases in welfare payments, and he gave the state 60 days to correct the situation."

The article said "that unless the state acts within 60 days, the Court would order an immediate halt of all federal Social Security funds to the state, and would also order the state to pay back to Washington all Social Security funds received since June, 1969."

The article stated that the Judge's ruling would mean a 32.4 per cent increase in payments to the 330,000 families affected.

The article further stated "that if the state had to pay back all the money received since June 1969, it would cost the state 350 million dollars."

Unruh has said that he will chase the governor into every nook and cranny in the state until he agrees to a television debate with him on the campaign issues, but it doesn't seem likely now that the two of them will ever debate.

The governor would have a hard time explaining why he held out on 330,000 poor families, violating federal rules while accepting federal money.

He can't answer this or other questions without showing how he has been against working people.

So he isn't likely to debate Unruh and let the issues come out.

## Sheet Metal Workers 216

BY KEITH AND JIM

At the writing of this column 10 representatives of Local 216 will be attending the 33rd General Convention of the Sheet Metal Workers' International Association in Atlantic City, New Jersey. The people attending this convention are: your Business Manager Fred Harmon; your three Business Representatives, Bill Maddox, Keith Griffin and Jim Newman, and six other officers and members of Local 216 who were elected to go at the special called meeting of July; Glen Wylie, Ernie Gouveia, John Wagner, Jim Keegan, Al Arellano and Bob Cooper. At the conclusion of this convention, reports will be given at our regular meeting and via this column.

Again we take this opportunity to remind all members who are in arrears in their dues to get them current. This situation is an added burden to this office and too much time is being spent reminding certain individuals to pay their dues.

The work situation at this time remains about the same. There are approximately 40 people on the out of work list.

Two of your former business representatives went to work shortly after the last election and are still steadily employed at this time.

Thought for the Week: Patience is a most necessary quality for business; many a man would rather you heard his story than granted his request. —Chesterfield.

Brother George Wold, working

for Brookman Company, got his finger in a fan on a welding machine on July 18 and will be disabled until November.

Fred Groves, working at International Harvester, has notified us that he injured his foot on the job Tuesday, September 8.

Regular membership meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 8 p.m., at the Labor Temple in Oakland. No meeting for September due to International Association Convention in Atlantic City.

Members of the Tri-State Council Death Benefit Plan, please note that Death Assessment No. 679 is now due and payable.

## Barbers 134

BY JACK M. REED

Brothers, with the sanction of the Executive Board, I have appointed Carl Knight as Business Representative of Local 134.

Carl has served as President of Local 373, Indianapolis, and was also vice president of the Indiana State Barbers Association. I would appreciate your welcoming him to Local 134 and giving him your utmost cooperation.

A good time to meet him would be at our regular meeting on September 20, 1970. Don't forget that we will have a stretch wig demonstration on that night that should prove most interesting.

Last Thursday night President Ray Luciano and I attended the testimonial dinner for Jess Unruh. Ray and I talked to Jess in regard to the present members of the State Barber Board and the fact that we do not have one union member on that board. He seemed to be aware of that fact and promised Ray and me that if he is elected he would change that. Brothers, that alone is a damned good reason for giving him your vote. Ronald Reagan has given us his regard of union barbers by getting rid of all our members and we should give him our regard of him by voting him out, out, out.

A word to shop owner employees. Brothers, I would greatly appreciate your cooperation by notifying the office when a barber leaves your employ. Many times these barbers are behind in dues and it makes much extra work and trouble chasing these persons down and collecting your money. Yes, this is your money, because you and other members have to pay these dead beats' per capita taxes whether they pay back or not. Also, when you employ a barber off the street without notifying your secretary you are helping to weaken your union. In many cases these barbers have been suspended from other locals and are not union barbers.

Help your union to see that these men readmit or are initiated as soon as possible. You are not helping yourself by sheltering these nomads and you are also violating your International and Local constitution and by-laws. I believe the time has come for shop owner employers to stop being their own worst enemies.

The big squeeze is on and standard shop owners are trying to get government money for their apprentices. Let them stop working seven days and week and raise their prices so that they could pay their apprentices a decent wage with descent of hours. It's as simple as that. Last call for the Hair Style class.

## Hayward strike set; conciliation begins

Hayward city employees voted 80 to 0 last week to set a September 23 strike date after turning down a city 5 per cent pay raise offer.

Negotiators for United Public Employees Local 390 and the city then jointly requested state conciliation and were in conciliation meetings this week.

The city pay offer was to be effective October 1, and the city offered little on fringe benefits. The employees want a 15 per cent raise or \$100 a month, whichever is larger, and substantial fringe improvements.

Employees involved work as building custodians, in city garages and in street, sewer, water and parks departments.

## Carpenters Auxiliary 160

BY BARBARA LINDER

Hi, Ladies:

Last week I reported that plans were formulated for a family picnic on September 20 at Meek Estate Park, Hayward. Sister Opal Moore, chairman of the event, reports that all plans are in order. Any carpenter and his family is welcome. Those attending will provide their own food but the Ways and Means Committee will provide coffee and soft drinks.

Meek Estate Park is located at the corner of Hampton and Boston Roads. Hampton Road may be reached from either Meekland or Mission Boulevard. Meek Estate Park has some barbecue facilities and plenty of play and running room for the children. The committee plans games for the children and in some cases the parents will be included. Prizes will be awarded. Starting time will be at 11:30 a.m.

At the last meeting the Ladies Auxiliary elected two new Trustees. They were Sisters Bea Cameron and Annie Elvin. The other officers for this year are: President Eunice Griebel; Vice President Opal Moore; Treasurer Edna Yetter; Secretary Barbara Linder; Warden Aline Haake; Conductress Lillian Johnson; Chaplain Etta Anderson, and 2nd Year Trustee Agnes Anderson.

District 3 Board Member Lois Davis announced that the Fall District meeting will be held Saturday, October 3, at 9:30 a.m. in the Kirkwood Shopping Center in Campbell. More details next week.

Every week, as space permits, we will give you a tried and tested recipe. If anyone has a "penny saver" or "favorite" recipe let us know about it. This week's "Recipe of the Week" was submitted by Sister Edna Yetter.

### BAKED CHICKEN

Time-saver and money-saver. Chicken is an inexpensive meat and the preparation time is minimal.

#### 1 Fryer, cut-up

¾ cup of apricot jam

½ cup of soy sauce

Blot the chicken pieces with a paper towel, salt them lightly. Mix the apricot jam and soy sauce in a small mixing bowl. Dip each piece of chicken thoroughly in the mixture and lay them in a single layer in a buttered baking pan (I use Pyrex). If you have any solution left over, pour it over the chicken. Bake at 350 degrees for one hour.

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## AFSCME 371 'Info'

BY NAT DICKERSON

Since so many interesting and important things occurred at the two-day Statewide AFSCME Conference, it seems practical to say more about it.

Another reason is to inform the many members of the Local who couldn't attend.

So we hereby abstract some portions of what transpired: The Conference was chaired by Jean Savage of AFSCME Local 1695, and the first address was given by Don Vial of the Institute of Labor Relations which, as we previously stated, rendered yeoman service in preparing most of the literature and pamphlets distributed.

Some questions asked were: Whether or not the Brown Act lends real support to public employee unions; should unions identify with student aims, and should the work shops solely dwell on work problems?

These questions were generally replied to with the workshops themselves; but we might say that the general tone of the Conference was liberal, and to some extent, radical, which is quite understandable.

Leo Sidus of the Medical School and Local 1650 gave a brief speech on the Local's history and the possible difficulties to be faced in organizing all of the campuses.

Sue Burger, organizer from UCLA said the administration shies away from social and radical matters, doesn't want to recognize unions nor the issues brought up by them; she also described the frustration sometimes felt by an organizer.

She also exposed the management motivated aspects of the CSEA, and pointed out the merits of working through committees rather than personal endeavors. Sue expressed concern for the present divisive tactics of the Administration.

Other addresses given were by Cliff Fried, UCLA, Margaret Butz Davis, Carla Radey, Santa Barbara, Martha Moss of the Irvine campus, who said that they have received support from Chicano organizations, and repeated that policies of racism are primarily directed towards divisiveness in workers' affairs; and it should be realized that any social matter of sufficient importance is worth the interest of unions, for establishing a medium for grievances and confrontation.

Martha said that their organization also has a Black and Brown caucus.

Along with the address of Jim Strunsk, of San Diego, most of them carried a general theme, in opposition to racial and promotional discrimination.

A most noteworthy address was given by Sister Maxine Wolpinsky, the very capable organizer for Local 1695, of the Berkeley campus.

Among the statements she made, in a most profound dissertation, were: Dichotomy of feelings toward union, social and political matters, could cause a

schism to the total society; in other words, in pursuance of union efforts and commitments, no distinctions between such areas should be considered.

In support, she pointed out her Local's stand on such matters as: The tragic assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Third World problems, badly negative personal rules, and how to stand on troop removal from Southeast Asia had given impetus to the union's struggle.

She also expressed compassion and concern about the cynicism and distrust felt by Chicanos and Blacks of our society, and the need for total involvement as being a "must" for present day successful union efforts. Next on their agenda, she said, is to be the Women's Liberation Movement.

Art Carstens, from an administrative viewpoint, stated that State Employee organizations, like CSEA are no help to campus employees; he felt that major problems to be resolved for such employees, were adequate funding of insurance by AD and revision of current pension systems.

Our last Saturday's meeting was a revelation to the extent of some members' curiosity about events they could have witnessed and heard, if they had been there.

## Watchmakers 101

BY GEORGE F. ALLEN

In our column written the first week in July of this year, we stated that at that time of the year, our industry was at low ebb — however, after the vacations were over, and the watches got full of sand, or their owners had fallen in the drink and came back with rusted watches, our industry, as was the custom, would again get into full swing.

True to the prediction, we know most vacations are over and there is no generation gap in the watch repair industry—like father, like son—the watches are returning to our boys for repair and the industry has picked up. This has been the pattern over the years, and will continue to be so until, if ever, a watch is manufactured that will withstand what the average person subjects their time piece to, during those wonderful weeks of relaxation.

But once the vacation is over, and one must return to the every day schedule of work or school, their attention is once again directed to their time piece—and that is when they realize their watch is one of their most important necessities, and look to our watchmakers for help. Yes, the watchmaker is a very important person at this time of year.

Sorry we cannot report at this writing that either Brother Frank De Filippo of Granat Brothers Grant Avenue store in San Francisco or Brother Victor Woodfill of Kay Jewelers in San Jose are back to work. However, they have both progressed nicely and we should be able to report them back at the bench within a week or two.

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# BTC urges campaign aid to Fred Cooper

The Alameda County Building Trades Council has alerted all affiliated unions to give active support to Third District supervisorial candidate Fred F. Cooper.

Cooper, a 42 year old attorney, is in a runoff for the post at the November 3 election. He has BTC and Alameda County COPE endorsement.

A former Central Labor Council delegate, he has been active in a long list of civic, health, civil rights, labor and Democratic causes. He represented Newspaper Drivers Local 96 in the Labor Council, while working his way through law school.

In 1958 he was a member of the Citizens Committee Against

Proposition 18, the anti-union shop "right to work" initiative which the voters defeated.

In 1951 and 1952, he was a director of the AFL Alameda County Voters League, a predecessor of COPE.

His present and former service includes membership on the Alameda County Local Agencies Formation Commission, presidency of the Alameda County chapter of the United Nations Association and of the Oakland Inter-Service Club Council, chairmanship of Berkeley Citizens Urban Renewal Advisory Committee, membership on the State Department of Justice Advisory Committee on Civil Rights and service as an American Ar-

bitration Association panel arbitrator.

He was Alameda County campaign chairman for Hubert Humphrey's Presidential campaign in 1968 and co-chairman of Congressman Jeffrey Cohelan's re-election campaign the same year.

He was local chairman for Stanley Mosk's successful campaign for attorney general in 1958 and 1962 and was Alameda County co-chairman of Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown's campaign in 1966.

The district he seeks to represent on the board covers East Oakland, Central Oakland and much of West Oakland.

## Statewide council at UC urged by AFSCME meet

An organizing conference of American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees unions at University of California campuses called for a statewide UC union council to help bring union representation to employees.

The conference at Berkeley was called by UC Employees Local 371 and UC Non-Academic Employees Local 1695. AFSCME members from most campuses attended.

Delegates agreed that grievance action is the most important single means of letting UC workers know the value of unionism.

And a workshop on grievances found UC employees need to be told of their rights under university personnel rules. Workers who are disciplined by management often do not know their recourse the workshop was told.

Women make up 40 per cent of UC workers but only 8 per cent of them are organized, a workshop on women workers reported.

Day care for employees' children should be a basic union demand, the workshop urged.

Along with vigorous grievance prosecution, delegates urged strong shop steward councils.

## Graphic Arts union gains \$200 top pay

A new East Bay agreement, raising wages 12½ per cent and breaking the \$200 a week pay barrier, has been negotiated by Western Graphic Arts Union Local 14.

The new pact is retroactive to last March 2 and runs for 18 months. Pay range is from \$170.04 for offset assistants to \$200.31 for cylinder pressmen.

Other improvements include dental care and a long range sick leave plan.

## Auto Workers take on GM

A total of 344,000 United Auto Workers members walked out at General Motors plants across the nation and in Canada Tuesday after long negotiations left the UAW and the Big 3 auto makers far apart.

The Alameda County Central Labor Council voted strike support to UAW Local 1364 whose more than 4,000 members struck the Fremont GM assembly plant and another Fremont GM facility.

The UAW has chosen GM as a strike target, exempting Chrysler after the union said that firm indicated that the giant GM was calling the shots in bargaining. The test of strength with the large company was expected to be long.

## An answer on jury duty pay

Electrical Workers Local 595 has an inexpensive answer to those working people who say they won't register to vote because they're afraid they'll be called to jury duty and lose pay.

Workers under some Local 595 contracts have clauses guaranteeing their pay while serving on juries. Those for whom the union has not yet gained that protection have voted themselves a 70 cent per month assessment to cover

their wages if they are called for jury duty.

The fund pays them their regular straight time wages, less juror's pay, for all time they lose, thus guaranteeing full pay for all jury time, Local 595 Business Manager Tom Sweeney told the Alameda County Building Trades Council.

Since jury calls are relatively few, the fund has only once had to borrow from other funds and soon made up the loan, Sweeney said.

## U.S. stalling halts Upgrade

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phases numbers — "a numbers game with no regard to whether the trainees will be able to hold jobs" — which has caused failure of its Philadelphia and other plans.

Government comparison of the \$5,000 Upgrade cost per trainee — including instruction and payments to contractors for trainees lower productivity — with such lower cost programs as recruitment, they said.

Upgrade graduates earn \$7 to \$8 an hour, contrasted to their non-union pay of \$1.69 to \$4, a difference Childers said would repay the \$5,000 in a few years in income taxes.

Meanwhile, Dones noted, the government continues to fund training with no jobs attached, such as OIC and the Skills Center. Childers called continued government subsidization of training by such big companies as Christiana-Western as assuring low wages and not guaranteeing job-holding skill.

Upgrade has widened representation on its board, eliminated contractors productivity differentials and complied with all other new government conditions, but the Labor Department continues to come up with new items, Dones said.

"The latest criticism by the government was that Upgrade did not guarantee Class A union membership, whatever that is," said Dones. "We told them Upgrade men get the same clearance as any other worker."

Upgrade graduates become union members when they meet skills test requirements, but the government's criticism amounts to a demand for a guarantee they pass the exams, Childers said.

Upgrade will continue to administer its allied Prep Program for work experience for youths but government failure to refund Upgrade denies them a chance to graduate into it, Childers noted. The BTC and unions will look for ways to complete training of current Upgrade trainees, he said.

But unless the government acts favorably on Upgrade, labor has no definite idea on how to meet the pressing need for minority training.

Ignorance by bureaucrats seems to play a part in government footdragging, Dones said, recalling that the Labor Department had been unaware even the trainees get union referral to jobs at union pay.

Favoritism to white contractors, against competition by minority builders, may also play a part, Upgrade officials said.

Upgrade has asked the government to state its objections on union membership in writing, Dones said, so that the project may have basis for a possible suit charging the government with seeking to legislate in the field of union agreements.

## Agnew chooses the scab Her-Ex

The struck scab-operated Hearst Los Angeles Examiner was Vice President Agnew's choice as the only paper on the West Coast to cover his Asian tour.

Forty newspapers had sought to send correspondents with Agnew. Four were chosen, and one was the scab Her-Ex.

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# OFFICIAL UNION NOTICES

## AUTOMOTIVE MACHINISTS 1546 HAYWARD CARPENTERS 1622

### SPECIAL NOTICE

The annual meeting of the East Bay Automotive Machinists Lodge 1546 Building Corporation will be held on Tuesday, October 6, 1970, at the hour of 8 p.m. at our building located at 10260 MacArthur Boulevard, Oakland, for the purpose of electing a board of directors and transacting such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting.

Fraternally,  
M. F. DAMAS,  
Secretary-Treasurer,  
Building Corporation

A special order of business will be called at the regular Lodge meeting October 6, 1970 for the purpose of setting aside \$25,000 to be used to purchase furniture and other necessary expenditures to complete the new building.

Regular meetings of Lodge 1546 are held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the hour of 8 p.m. in our building at 10260 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland.

Fraternally,  
LEVIN CHARLES,  
Recording Secretary

## AUTO & SHIP PAINTERS 1176

Auto, Marine & Specialty Painters 1176 meets on the first and third Tuesdays of every month in Room H, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland, at 8 p.m.

Fraternally,  
LESLIE K. MOORE,  
Business Representative

## BARBERS 134

The regular September meeting will be held on Thursday night, September 24, 1970 at the Labor Temple, 23rd and Valdez Streets, Oakland.

The Resolution to close the Saturdays before Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day and Labor Day passed by a large majority. This will go into effect next year.

Hairstyle Class starts September 16, 1970. Last year six members were too late. First come, first served! Please call the office for further information.

Fraternally,  
JACK M. REED,  
Secretary-Treasurer

## MILLMEN'S UNION 550

The next regular meeting of Millmen's Union Local 550 will be held Friday, September 18, 1970 at 8 p.m., Hall A at the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland.

There will be a special called meeting, along with the regular meeting, to discuss assessments.

Fraternally,  
ODUS G. HOWARD,  
Financial Secretary

## IRON WORKERS 378

Our Regular Executive Board meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, 8 p.m.

Stewards meetings also are held the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 8 p.m.

Our regular membership meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month, 8 p.m.

Fraternally,  
BOB McDONALD,  
Business Agent

## PLUMBERS & GAS FITTERS 444

The next regular meeting of Plumbers and Gas Fitters Local Union No. 444 will be held Wednesday, September 23, 1970 in Hall A of the Labor Temple Building.

### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Regular order of business. Please be sure to attend this meeting, since union meetings are a very important part of union membership.

Fraternally,  
GEORGE A. HESS,  
Business Manager &  
Financial Secretary-Treasurer

The Local 1622 delegates to the Carpenters Thirty-First General Convention will present their reports at the regular meeting of September 24.

Regular meetings are held the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 8 p.m. with a social following the meeting on the fourth Thursday.

The office of the financial secretary is open 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Wednesday; 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursdays, and 7:30 a.m. to noon Fridays.

Stewards meetings are at 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. A stewards training program is held in conjunction with the stewards meeting.

Fraternally,  
JOHN C. DAVIS,  
President  
KYLE MOON,  
Recording Secretary

## BERKELEY CARPENTERS 1158

On September 17, 1970 Mr. Dean Wright of Oakland, California, will speak on Workmen's Compensation. Please try to attend.

Regular meetings are held the first and third Thursdays of each month at Finnish Brotherhood Hall, 1970 Chestnut St., Berkeley, Ca.

Fraternally,  
NICK J. AFDAMO,  
Rec.-Sec.

## SERVICE EMPLOYEES 18

General membership meetings of Service Employees Local 18 are held at 3 p.m. the fourth Friday of each month in Jenny Lind Hall, 2267 Telegraph Avenue, Oakland.

At the regular membership meeting Friday, September 25 there will be nominations for two vacancies on the executive board and for the offices of treasurer and delegate. There will be a secret ballot vote on a dues increase.

Fraternally,  
BEN J. TUSI,  
Secretary

## ALAMEDA CARPENTERS 194

Carpenters Local 194 meets the first and third Monday evenings of the month at 8 p.m. in the Veterans Memorial Building, located at 2201 Central Avenue, Alameda.

Refreshments are served following the first meeting of the month in the Canteen for all present. You are urged to attend your Local's meetings.

Fraternally,  
WM. "BILL" LEWIS,  
Recording Secretary

## GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES 3

General membership meeting Hall C, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, the fourth Friday of the month, 8 p.m.

Fraternally,  
JACK KENNEDY,  
Business Representative

## PRINTING SPECIALTIES 382

Meeting second Friday of the month at 8 p.m. in Jenny Lind Hall, 2267 Telegraph Avenue, Oakland.

Fraternally,  
TED E. AHL,  
Secretary

## CARPENTERS 36

The regular meetings for Carpenters Local Union 36 are held the first and third Thursdays of each month at 8460 Enterprise Way, Oakland, California 94621, at 8 p.m. Phone 569-3465.

The hours of the Financial Secretary's office are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Friday the office closes at 1 p.m.

Stewards meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month, at the hall.

The delegates to the CARPENTERS 31st GENERAL CONVENTION will present their reports on September 17.

Fraternally,  
ALLEN L. LINDER,  
Recording Secretary

## Contractor fails to show in battery case; warrant due

Clovis contractor John Birges failed to appear in court last Friday for setting of a date for his trial on a charge of battery against a union representative and a bench warrant was ordered for his arrest.

Birges was accused of an attack in July on Business Representative Seymour Bachman of Plumbers & Gas Fitters Local 444. Bachman was observing Birges' job on the Tony Lema golf course extension in San Leandro to determine if prevailing wages were being paid.

Birges pleaded not guilty and asked for a jury trial but did not appear and was not represented by an attorney when the case came before Judge Robert Byers in Hayward Municipal Court for setting of a trial date.

Judge Byers directed that a bench warrant be issued.

Since the alleged attack, Birges has twice obtained temporary restraining orders forbidding picketing of the Lema job by the Alameda County Building Trades Council.

Each time his attorney dropped the matter at hearings to determine whether a preliminary anti-picketing order should be issued.

The BTC, which stopped picketing when the first temporary restraining order was issued, had noted that both Birges' city contract and his agreement with a non-building trades organization required prevailing wages on the job.

## SHEET METAL WORKERS 216

The regular meetings are every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 8 p.m. in the Labor Temple.

Fraternally,  
FRED HARMON,  
Business Manager

## U.C. EMPLOYEES 371

Our next regular meeting will be on October 10, 1970 at 155 Kroeber Hall at 2 p.m. preceded by the Executive Board meeting. There will be a Stewards' meeting also.

Negotiations will start soon. Let's have a large turnout. Now is the time to stand behind your Union!

Fraternally,  
J. J. SANTORO,  
Secretary-Treasurer

## CARPET & LINOLEUM 1290

The next meeting of Carpet, Linoleum and Soft Tile Workers Local 1290 will be held on Thursday, September 24 at 8 p.m., Hall "C," 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland. Please attend.

National Conference deaths are now due and payable through NC 366. Also \$3.50 for Brother Ed Johnson who passed away in June and \$3.50 for Brother Cecil Graham who passed away in July.

Fraternally,  
BOB SEIDEL,  
Recording Secretary

## PAINT MAKERS 1975

The next regular meeting of Local No. 1975 will be held on September 15, 1970 at 8:00 p.m., at 387 VALENCIA STREET, San Francisco. The meeting will be held in Hall No. 1. On the Agenda will be elections for the Negotiating Committee. The candidates are Nick Telemchuk and Daniel Stamm.

Fraternally,  
CARL LAWLER,  
Recording Secretary

## PRINTING SPECIALTIES 678

Meeting second Thursday of the month at 8 p.m. in Cannery Workers Hall, 492 C Street, Hayward, California.

Fraternally,  
JOSEPH CABRAL,  
Secretary

## from the EDITOR'S CHAIR

### Poor Dick — this is the unkindest cut of all

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raise prices, despite his promise to lick inflation, he must have felt like crawling under the rug.

The old CG has been on the newstand for 90 years at \$1.50 a month. The boys who fill it with their speeches took a look at the ledger and voted to raise the price. Dick agreed.

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DICK SHOULD really be ashamed of giving in to inflation this way. He should have told Congress to make shorter speeches, print in smaller type — anything to stop inflation.

He told Congress no when they tried to put out more money for schools, places to live and things like that.

And they certainly are as important as the Congressional Record, particularly when you consider that the price rise for CG is expected to be anywhere from 25 cents to \$3 a month and that's 12½ to 200 per cent.

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IT'S STILL possible for some people to cut their costs, whatever luck Dick has had. Even after last year's tax reform bill, which Dick thought was too strong, a stockbroker is telling his customers that there are lots of ways to reduce income taxes.

He likes gas and oil investment, noting that "80 per cent and more of the investor's total investment may be taken as a tax deduction against other in-

come (intangible drilling costs) even on successful operations in the old fields."

There's much more and unless Dick finds himself in new difficulties or Ronnie cuts, squeezes and trims us into more taxes or Spiro says something I don't believe even more than usual, I'll tell you about it next week.

Because, while this is the way some people cut costs, it is inflation.

Inflation of big incomes.

## Ethel Cox wins top Picnic award

Ethel Cox, wife of Stationary Engineers Local 39 member Frank Cox won the top award at last week's Alameda County COPE Labor Day Picnic, a 23-inch RCA console color television set.

Next luckiest picnic ticket purchaser was the San Francisco-Oakland Newspaper Guild which got a black and white portable TV set.

Winners of others of the 11 picnic awards gave their names but not union affiliations, said the awards committee. Names, which the committee hopes are spelled right are Betty Bowden, Mrs. Whale, Dorothy Lynch, Jane McClure, Loretta Irving, Alice Cline, Henry Kole, Andy McClure and Barry Everheart.

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## Unruh - Reagan debate would clarify issues

The tradition of the political debate is well founded in America. Notable examples have been the Lincoln-Douglas and Kennedy-Nixon debates and there have been others reaching far back into history.

Those two historic confrontations clarified issues and brought issues to the surface which at least one of the contestants may have hoped to keep hidden.

That latter aspect of the political debate may very well be the reason why the incumbent governor of California refuses to meet his opponent face to face.

We can think of a number of issues, a thorough airing of which would help the electorate make up its mind between the governor and his labor-backed opponent, Jess Unruh.

Take taxes on which there has been much talk but little factual analysis.

Governor Reagan should be forced to cite facts to support his claim that he tried to cut your taxes. Mr. Unruh would, we are sure, produce the facts which back his declaration that the governor's tax relief plan was no tax relief at all, only another tax-boosting move by the governor.

You'll remember that in his first year in office, the governor foisted an all time record high tax increase for any state on the taxpayers of California.

He should be made to explain whether or not his tax bill would have given his millionaire associates whopping tax breaks.

He should be asked to answer the charge that he intervened to kill another—and genuine—tax reform bill which would have shifted millions in taxes to big oil companies and other big businesses by closing loopholes through which much state revenue now escapes.

He has been deaf, dumb and blind to this state's overriding problem of unemployment. He should be asked to explain why he says we have never been more prosperous while more than half a million Californians are hunting jobs.

He should be asked to explain why he has not asked the current regime in Washington to modify its job-destroying policies.

He should be asked why his administration abruptly eliminated the consumer protection which his predecessor had pioneered.

He also should be asked why workers now find it hard to get service from the state in such matters as job safety, collection of wages of which employers have shortchanged them, and unemployment and workmen's compensation benefits.

The governor could, of course, ask Mr. Unruh questions intended to embarrass the latter.

But the net result of such an exchange would not be in the Governor's favor.

Which is why he will try to avoid the crossfire of debate and stay safely on television — paid for by his millionaire supporters.

## Southern strategy error?

People whom the Nixon administration has been wooing in its Southern Strategy voted last week.

Perhaps the strategy contains some strategical mistakes. There were calls to give "recognition" to the South in support of President Nixon's two defeated nominees for the Supreme Court.

There was much gnashing of teeth when the Senate found them unfit and turned them down.

One of them, Judge G. Harrold Carswell, then stepped from the bench and invited the voters to pass judgment.

They did. Last week Carswell was a big loser in his race for the Republican nomination for U.S. Senator from Florida.

When he laid his policies and record on the line, Florida Republican voters were less than rousingly enthusiastic about them.



THE NIXON "game plan" for the economy — tight money, cuts in government appropriations for services and economic slowdown—is mostly talk and doesn't seem to be working, AFL-CIO President George Meany told a press conference during the AFL-CIO executive council meeting in Chicago. The federation's prescription for inflation and jobs include use by Nixon of credit controls to channel money into job-producing construction and other important areas, full funding of housing, education, health care, community facilities and hospital programs, plus a \$2 minimum wage to take the sting out of the worst of American poverty.

## - LETTERS TO THE EDITOR -

### Letters urged NOW for direct Presidential vote

Editor, Labor Journal:

The narrow margin by which the presidential election was saved from a deadlock in the Electoral College in 1968 has made clear the necessity for change in the method of choosing the President of the United States.

The national organizations of the AFL-CIO, UAW, International Ladies Garment Workers, the League of Women Voters, and others of diverse interests, are working together in Washington to influence congressmen to provide for direct popular election of the President and Vice President, and the abolishment of the indirect, out-of-date Electoral College system.

A "now or never" atmosphere is in the air. Legislation, (S.J. Res. 1) which will help bring about these changes, has been approved by the House of Representatives. One more step — a two-thirds vote in the Senate — could send it to the states for ratification. The bill is now being debated in the Senate. Now is the time to write our Senators, George Murphy and Alan Cranston.

Speaking for the League of Women Voters:

We believe popular election of the President is consistent with the one-man, one-vote principle (which the Electoral College is not).

We believe that this reform would not imperil the rights of the states (which are adequately protected by representation in the Senate).

We believe direct popular election would not lead to a proliferation of political parties, since at least 40 per cent of the popular vote would be required to elect.

In case no candidate gets 40 per cent of the popular vote, we approve a run-off by the people directly, rather than election by Congress.

For these reasons we urge support of S.J. Res. 1.

Senator Murphy's position on this measure is not known. He is now running for re-election. Could it be possible that he may be more than usually sensitive to the wishes of voters at this time? We wouldn't want to leave him in a doubt, would we?

Senator Alan Cranston is a co-sponsor of this bill. Nevertheless he would be helped by our support.

A simple postcard or letter urging the direct-popular election of the President (S.J. Res. 1) is all that is necessary. The bill

is being debated now. We individual voters can be part of the decision if we act promptly. Address: Senator George Murphy, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510. Same address for Senator Alan Cranston.  
MRS. B. V. VOLG,  
Oakland League of  
Women Voters, Board  
of Directors

### Support Farm Workers

Editor, Labor Journal:

Director Cesar Chavez and the thousands of grape farm workers of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee AFL-CIO, have broken the non-union chains of California Vineyard farm corporations. For five years they struck with an uncompromising unity and courage against the arrogant might of corporation growers' determination to retain their age old unorganized farm worker peonage.

Beaten by this unity, over 90 per cent of vineyard corporations have signed union contracts, granting grape farm workers decent wages and conditions long enjoyed by members of Organized Labor. Today the struggle of UFWOC for union recognition by lettuce corporations in the Salinas salad bowl has just begun, that union contracts be attained, to end the miserable wage structure and intolerable poverty of these unorganized farm workers. However, no labor organization should interfere with UFWOC territory by collusion with employers with a "sweet-

heart agreement" contract.

The right of farm workers to elect a union of their choice cannot be questioned. That right for unity with Chavez and fellow farm workers in UFWOC is seen, as thousands answer his call for strike against lettuce farm corporations.

Continued financial support by all Labor is necessary, that farm workers throughout America be organized under UFWOC leadership. United we stand, divided we fall.

LLOYD MAES,  
Retired Member, United  
Auto Workers, Local 1364

### Farm strikers need help

Editor, Labor Journal:

The farm workers in Salinas are desperate for food. This is the fourth week of the strike, and many have not eaten for days. Volunteers here have been going door to door every evening collecting food and money, but that has not been enough. They need your readers help. If you have any canned or dry goods (beans, rice, etc.) that you can give to hungry workers in Salinas, please bring it to collection points at 558 - 47th Street, or 1924 Fruitvale Avenue in Oakland any time day or night.

If you want more information or if you want us to pick up what you've collected, please call 658-4974 or 655-3253 anytime.

RON KELLY,  
United Farm Workers  
Organizing Committee,  
Oakland.

## Reagan take note -- Oregon governor seeks jobless cure

While California's governor was saying nothing about growing unemployment, Governor Tom McCall of nextdoor Oregon was urging an immediate two-state Pacific Northwest battle to change Nixon administration policies which cause the economic slump.

McCall, in contrast to California Governor Reagan's still continuing silence in job problems, told a meeting of Oregon's Congressional delegation in June that "an unconscionably and disproportionately heavy burden has fallen on the people of the Northwest."

He blamed "federal policies to 'go slow' or 'cool off' the economy."

"Tight money and sky-high interest rates have once again made a shambles of the housing industry . . . at a time when we as a nation are faced with one of the most acute housing shortages in our history," he said.

It is a "national travesty," said McCall, that the wealthiest and most technologically advanced nation in the world "is failing to meet such a basic and compelling need of its citizenry."

He urged a joint effort by Oregon and Washington to change federal policies.

Oregon joblessness was at 6.5 per cent in May, the now current latest figure for California.



# BTC zeroes in on non-union building; 'tight money' blamed

Scarcity of high-priced "tight money" is influencing lenders to restrict amounts of building loans, with resultant temptation to contractors to operate non-union, the Alameda County Building Trades Council agreed this week.

An answer will be to ask business representatives of affiliates to beef up picket lines at two non-union apartment jobs and any others.

Luther Currie of Hayward Carpenters Local 1622 charged that five members of other unions had crossed the picket line at a non-union 11-unit apartment project at 37381 Cherry Street, Newark, when cabinet material was delivered and a utility line was installed.

Another non-union apartment building is under construction at 1540 Sherman Avenue, Alameda, Secretary-Treasurer Lamar Childers reported.

On suggestion of President Paul Jones, the affiliates' representatives are to give strength to picket lines.

"Because of scarcity of loan money, the banks are lending less than is needed on apartments," Childers said, "and contractors are tempted to resort to non-union work and all kinds of shortcuts."

An executive committee motion recommending support 'by any

means possible" of Ann Cornielle, running for state board of equalization against COPE-endorsed incumbent John Lynch, failed of approval after long debate.

The BTC voted instead to leave the question in the hands of individual unions.

## BART strike off as rehiring agreed

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ust 28 on the union's protest that BART had refused to discuss grievances or salaries. The employee was fired the same day. After initial failure to get BART to a meeting, Groulx released sanction last week.

In pre-reconciliation meetings, Groulx told the council, unions interested in BART had agreed to support the rehiring demand while leaving jurisdictional questions for later settlement.

The proposal was made by Alameda County Building Trades Council Secretary-Treasurer Lamar Childers, who also participated. Other unions taking part included Carmen's Division 192 and Electrical Workers Local 1245.

## Cooper dinner reservations available

Ticket orders for Plumbers & Gas Fitters Local 44's fund raising testimonial dinner October 1 were coming in fast this week and Local 44 urged unions and individuals to make reservations as soon as possible.

The \$10 a plate dinner will be held at Goodman's Hall, Jack London Square, Oakland.

Cooper was top vote getter at the June primary among eight candidates for the Third District seat on the Alameda County board of supervisors but faces a runoff at the November 3 general election.

A prominent Oakland attorney

ney and longtime active Democratic party worker, he is a former Alameda County Central Labor Council delegate and a former director of the old AFL Voters League here.

He has Alameda County Building Trades Council and COPE endorsement, and Local 444 Business Manager and Financial Secretary George A. Hess told unions his election will "assure labor a strong friend" on the board.

Checks for reservations should be made to Fred F. Cooper Testimonial Dinner and sent to Hess at Local 444, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland.



**BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVE** Bill Williams of Cooks, Pastry Cooks & Assistants Local 228 gets ready for his volunteer role as hof brau cook tomorrow evening, Saturday, at the Cerebral Palsy Center Carrousel Capers benefit at the center, 4500 Lincoln Avenue, Oakland. Helping him is Diane Coler-Dark, daughter of late Local 228 charter member Eddie Broughton, who did cook's chores for the benefit for years. Williams was suggested for the job by Thelma Broughton, widow of Eddie who died last winter. Carrousel Capers opens today, Friday, and runs through Sunday. The carnival event will include entertainment and trained animals, including the Oakland Athletics' mule mascot, Charley O.



**REPRESENTATIVES** of Japanese automobile industry unions, touring this country under Labor Department auspices, met East Bay unionists in the industry. Shown here on a visit to an Oakland auto agency during the Japanese unionists' discussions with Automobile Salesmen's Local 1095 are, left to right, Hachori Nakajima, assistant general secretary, All Japan Automobile Sales Workers Union; Minoru Saito, assistant general secretary, General Workers Union; Local 1095 Business Agent Ferd Silva and Secretary-Treasurer Vincent

Fulco; Seiichi Saito, assistant general secretary and director of labor-management activities, All Japan Automobile Parts Workers Union; Steve Caruso of the Department of Labor, AFL-CIO Regional Representative Gene De Christofaro, Whitey Neghborn, owner of Neghborn Lincoln-Mercury, the agency visited by the unionists; Ichiro Nakaso, division president of the Motor Workers Union, and interpreter Y. Saito. Almost hidden behind Saito is another interpreter, R. Kando.

## Labor backed words with \$25,010 for Unruh

Labor put its money — \$25,010 in campaign contributions for Jess Unruh — where its mouth was at Waiters, Waitresses & Service Crafts Local 31's Unruh testimonial dinner last week.

That was in addition to proceeds of the dinner itself, which were being added up this week and would add another sizeable sum.

The \$10 came from 80-year old Connie Mugianis, a 46-year member of Local 31, now retired with honorary membership.

The pioneer member was a Local 31 business agent during the Depression 1930s and was a business agent and organizer in the 1940s. Though retired, she occasionally works at such events as banquets.

"She represents those people

living on fixed incomes who are hardest hit by the Reagan kitchen cabinet in Sacramento," said President James Lee of the State Building Trades Council, who presided as campaign contributions were presented.

The other \$25,000 came from 10 unions and union councils. They were topped by four \$5,000 contributions.

In order of the presentation, these were labor's contributions:

\$5,000 from the International Brotherhood of Painters & Allied Trades; \$1,250 from the California Conference of Painters; \$1,000 from Painters District Council 48, Riverside, and \$500 from District Council 36, Los Angeles — all presented by Painters General Representative Ken Buckley.

\$5,000 from the State Council of Carpenters, presented by Council Legislative Representative Robert Hanna.

\$500 from San Francisco Waitresses Local 148, presented by Local 48 President Jackie Walsh.

\$5,000 from the State Culinary Alliance in a \$2,500 check presented by President Loretta Riley, with the other \$2,500 due in a few days.

\$1,500 from the Five Bay Area Counties District Council of Carpenters, presented by Gunnar (Benny) Benonys of Carpenters Local 36.

\$250 from Cement Masons Local 594, presented by Business Representative Bruce Dillashaw.

\$5,000 from the State Building Trades Council presented by Lee.

## Unruh tells of jobless toll

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businesses which had gone bankrupt in the last two years," he said. "Not too long ago those chairs and desks were used by real live people doing real live jobs."

As an example of "what Reagan has done," he ticked off the governor's record on conservation and taxes.

"The oil bills were killed and drilling continues in the channel because the oil companies own the administration lock, stock and barrel," he charged.

"Reagan's tax bill would have meant no relief for the \$8,000 a year man who rents," Unruh charged. "He would have paid \$25 more while Henry Salvatori would have got \$4,118 in tax relief on his \$700,000 home."

Salvatori is a wealthy Southern California oil executive and Reagan backer.

Unruh brought reporters to Salvatori's Bel Aire home earlier last week to show them the home which would have won the hefty rebate had not, Unruh told the dinner, "13 State Senators voted their conscience" in killing the Reagan bill.

The unscheduled confrontation which resulted when Salvatori came to the sidewalk has brought cries of "invasion of privacy," Unruh noted.

"It isn't called invasion of privacy when they talk about the help labor gives to its candidates," Unruh commented.

"The administration has no plans on unemployment," he added, "except to surrender to what the Nixon administration says is 'acceptable.'"

"Unemployment insurance buys 25 to 30 per cent less than it bought five years ago, the last time benefits were raised.

"Benefits could have been raised in 1970 if there had been leadership by the administration.

"When he was running for governor in 1966 Reagan said he would reduce crime, take people off welfare, help the schools and reform the tax system.

"Now he's saying these same things but there is too much crime, people not taken off welfare, no help to schools and no tax reform."

"We will contain violence of those who want to burn down the system, but we are in danger also from those who made it so by opposing any change in the loopholes and special benefits they wrote into law.

"These people own this administration."

## Edgett, Cregue on CLC committees

Byron Edgett of Oakland Typographical Union Local 36 and David Cregue of Oakland Federation of Teachers Local 771 were nominated unopposed for, respectively, the Alameda County Central Labor Council executive committee and newspaper committee Monday night and were declared elected.

They fill posts vacated by the resignations of Art Triggs from the executive board and Ross Kyrer from the newspaper committee, both of the Typographical Union.

## What does Jess know about films?

Comedian Pat Paulsen did some kidding on the square at last week's Jess Unruh testimonial dinner.

"Governor Reagan has a plan to reduce the welfare rolls," he said — "starve 'em out."

Other Paulsen needles:

"It has been said Jess Unruh isn't qualified. What does a man who has spent years in state government know about making movies?"

"The new Reagan slogan is: elect a governor who won't meddle in state affairs."

"Frank Sinatra says he's supporting Reagan because he's against campus violence. What if Frankie finds Reagan is really against violence?"

"People are complaining that taxes are high, state services are being reduced, the rise in inflation is matched only by the increase in unemployment, selfish interests are plundering natural resources.

"But what about the negative side?"

## Typo Conference meet

The Northern California Typographical Conference will meet Saturday and Sunday, October 10 and 11, at the Del Webb TowneHouse, Fresno.

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